

Senate Resolution 753

By: Senators Stoner of the 6th, Thompson of the 33rd, Hooks of the 14th, Thompson of the 5th and Orrock of the 36th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Ms. Ashlie Margaret Wilson; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, during her 13 year career in television public broadcasting, Ms. Ashlie Margaret
3 Wilson has earned a well-deserved reputation for professionalism and high quality
4 journalism with her work for Georgia Public Broadcasting (GPB); and

5 WHEREAS, after graduating with honors from the Marietta public school system, Ms.
6 Wilson earned a bachelor's degree cum laude in communication from Kennesaw State
7 University; and

8 WHEREAS, during her tenure with GPB, Ms. Wilson has served as an intern, production
9 assistant, associate producer, segment producer, line producer, producer, and her current
10 position as a senior staff producer; and

11 WHEREAS, in 1999, she became the producer of GPB's nightly program *Lawmakers* that
12 runs during the 40 day legislative session of the Georgia General Assembly and reports on
13 the daily events at the state capitol; and

14 WHEREAS, Ms. Wilson is currently the managing editor and executive producer for the
15 39th season of *Lawmakers*, having been mentored by television professionals such as Gerald
16 Bryant, Susan Hoffman, Rojene Bailey, and Clement McIntosh; and

17 WHEREAS, among her many accolades are four regional Emmys, two Gabby awards from
18 the Georgia Association of Broadcasters, and two Telly awards; and

19 WHEREAS, the Society of Professional Journalists has acknowledged Ms. Wilson's work
20 at the Green Eyeshade awards in 2001, 2002, and 2005; and

21 WHEREAS, she was honored with the 2003 History in the Media Award presented by the
22 Georgia Historical Society for her work on the documentary *Georgia's Civil War* and was
23 honored by the Daughters of the American Revolution in 2005 with an award for her work
24 on the documentary *The Fabulous Fox*; and

25 WHEREAS, for all her accolades, nothing gives her greater satisfaction than her close work
26 and mentorship with young journalists and aspiring television professionals through the
27 *Lawmakers* intern program, helping them to improve writing skills, hone journalistic
28 instincts, and present news in a balanced and unbiased manner.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
30 recognize Ms. Ashlie Margaret Wilson for ten years of quality programming with Georgia
31 Public Broadcasting's *Lawmakers* and commend her for her years of dedicated service to
32 journalism, the public, and the democratic process and its institutions.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
34 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Ms. Ashlie Margaret Wilson.